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- WA-821    **Medical Waste Package** Contains Wisconsin's medical waste rule (Ch. NR 526) and guidance for generators and transporters. Includes pubs. WA-801, 802, 804, 815, 820, 290 and CO-800. DNR, 2000. WWW (as individual publications and link to DNR rules at legislative web site)
- WA-801    **Wisconsin's Medical Waste Rule (fact sheet)** Summarizes major provisions of the rule. 4 pages (pp). DNR, 1998. To order the rule itself, see "Medical Waste Package," above. www
- WA-290    **References: Health Care & Medical Wastes** Lists documents, videos, web sites and places to donate unused supplies and used equipment. DNR, 1999. 8 pp. www
- WA-802    **Medical Waste Reduction and the Annual Report** (formerly "About the Infectious Waste Annual Report") Answers frequently asked questions. See also WA-809, below. DNR, 2000. 4 pp. www
- WA-803    **Disposing of Household Sharps** Brochure. DNR, 2000. 2 pp.
- WA-804    **Disposing of Household Sharps** 8.5"x11" version of WA-803. 2 pp. www
- WA-805    **Disposing of Household Sharps** 8.5"x11" large-print version of WA-803. 4 pp.
- WA-806    **Publicizing Sharps Collection** Packet includes camera-ready originals of WA-803, 804, and 805, suggestions for publicity and a sample press release. DNR, 2000. 14 pp.
- WA-807    **Sharps Collection** Guidance for collecting sharps as a public service. Includes guidance, examples of collection programs, WA-803 and Form 4400-195. DNR, 2000. 8 pp. www (guidance and examples only).
- WA-808    **List of Registered Sharps Collection Stations** DNR. The current list is 21 pp.
- WA-829    **Wisconsin County-Provides Home Sharps Collection Program.** Describes Brown County's successful sharps collection program. American Society for Healthcare Environmental Services, 1998. 1 page.
- WA-809    **Infectious Waste Annual Report Packet** Includes form, instructions and annual announcements. Same as Form 4400-177. DNR, current year. 13 pp. www (instructions only)
- WA-815    **For Generators of Small Amounts** How to manage and reduce infectious waste. DNR, '01. 6pp. www
- WA-819    **Infectious Waste Transportation License Application Package** DNR, 1998. 7 pp.
- WA-820    **Definitions of Terms** Compiles definitions used in Ch. NR 526. DNR, 1998. 5 pp. www
- CO-802    **Operating With a New Attitude** Article on medical waste reduction. Oct 1997 Wisconsin Natural Resources magazine. DNR, 1998. 5pp. www
- CO-803    **Hospital Waste Reduction Checklist** SHWEC (doc #425.SB9602). 14 pp. www
- CO-804    **Closing the Loop: How to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Medical Materials** Citizens for a Better Environment, 1998. 10 pp.
- CO-076    **A Guide for Dentists: How to Manage Waste From Your Dental Practice** SHWEC, 1996. 6pp. www
- CO-080    **Waste Reduction in the Veterinary Clinic** SHWEC, 1996. 4 pp. www
- CO-082    **Wm. S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital: A Pollution Prevention Case Study** about reducing the volume of infectious waste. DNR, 1997. 4 pp. www
- SW-714    **Guides to Pollution Prevention: Selected Hospital Waste Streams** EPA, 1990. (EPA doc# 625-7-90-009). 45 pp. Electronic copy: <http://es.epa.gov/oeca/fedfac/fflexp2/hospital.html>

- SW-756 \_\_\_\_ **Hospital Pollution Prevention Case Study** EPA Project summary (EPA doc# 600-S2-91-024). 6pp. Contact EPA for whole document.
- SW-195 \_\_\_\_ **Safe Lamp Recycling & Disposal** DNR, 1996. 2 pp.
- WA-420 \_\_\_\_ **Managing Used Computers: A Guide for Businesses and Institutions** Reduce your hazardous waste liabilities by properly managing your old computers. DNR, 1999. 4 pp. [www](#)
- WA-089 \_\_\_\_ **Wisconsin Recycling Markets Directory**, latest edition. Where to recycle lamps, batteries, metals, plastics, solvents, computers, etc. DNR. Free. [www](#)
- CO-800 \_\_\_\_ **Mercury-free, What's In It For Me?** Why eliminate mercury in health care. DNR, 1998. 2 pp. [www](#)
- WW-025 \_\_\_\_ **Keeping Mercury Out of Medical Waste** EPA, 1995. 6 pp. Electronic copy: <http://www.epa.gov/reg5oair/glakes/fact1.htm>
- CO-801 \_\_\_\_ **The Case Against Mercury: RX for Pollution Prevention** Written especially for healthcare settings. Terrene Institute, 1995. 16 pp.
- CO-199 \_\_\_\_ **Waste Reduction & Environmental Assistance Publication Order Form** DNR. [www](#)
- Form 4400-176 \_\_\_\_ **Infectious Waste Manifest form** Each 5-ply manifest counts as 1 page. DNR. Note: Your transporter's shipping paper is also OK if it complies with s. NR 526.14, Wis. Adm. Code.
- Form 4400-177 \_\_\_\_ **Infectious Waste Annual Report form** Same as WA-809. DNR. Current year. 10 pp.
- Form 4400-195 \_\_\_\_ **Sharps Collection Station Registration Form** Use of the form is recommended. DNR. 1 p.
- Form 4400-218 \_\_\_\_ **Medical Waste Publication Order Form** (this order form). DNR, 2001. 3 pp. [www](#)

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Chapter NR 526, Wisconsin Administrative Code Order the "Medical Waste Package" (PUBL-WA-821), above. The Wisconsin Dept. of Administration (DOA) no longer offers the package. Please do not send orders for DNR publications to DOA or vice versa.

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You may order Wisconsin Statutes from the Legislative Documents Office, 1 E. Main St., Madison, WI 53708. Phone: (608) 266-2400. Requirements for medical waste incinerators are in s. 285.63(10), for medical waste reduction in s. 287.07(8), and medical waste management in s. 299.51, Wis. Stats.

## ELECTRONIC COPIES OF RULES AND STATUTES

Statutes: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/Statutes.html> OR <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/rsb/stats.html>

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NOTE: Paper copies of statutes and rules and internet-connected computers can often be found in public libraries.